



SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Tremont Town Office
Harvey Kelley Meeting Room
6:00 p.m. ~ Monday, February 9, 2015

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

In the absence of the Chair, the Selectmen's meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Vice Chair Stewart Murphy.

2. ROLL CALL:

Attending the meeting were Selectmen Stewart Murphy, Dean Wass and Chris Eaton, along with interim Town Manager Dana Reed, recording secretary Lynn Wehrfritz and the citizens whose names are recorded on the attached sheet. Dana Reed reported that Selectboard Chair Katharine Thurston was unable to attend the meeting due to a furnace problem at her home.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Without objection, the agenda was adopted by unanimous consent.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. January 5, 2015

A motion was made by Dean Wass and seconded by Stewart Murphy to accept the minutes of January 5, 2015. The motion passed with two "yes" votes and an abstention by Chris Eaton because he did not attend the meeting.

B. January 20, 2015

A motion was made by Chris Eaton and seconded by Dean Wass to accept the minutes of January 20, 2015. The motion passed unanimously.

5. APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

A motion was made by Chris Eaton and seconded by Dean Wass to approve Warrants # 62-66. The motion passed unanimously.

6. REGULAR BUSINESS:

A. Southwest Harbor/Tremont Chamber of Commerce: *Request of the Chamber of Commerce for permission to expand its seasonal banner and signage program to include Bass Harbor and Bernard.*

A motion was made by Chris Eaton and seconded by Dean Wass to allow the seasonal signage program for Bass Harbor and Bernard. The motion passed unanimously.

B. FY16 Budget Preparation: *Review of budget requests for:*

i. Library Fund – Spencer Irvin, Chair of the Bass Harbor Memorial Library Trustees
The interim Town Manager advised the Selectmen that Mr. Irvin had been called out of town unexpectedly, and introduced library treasurer Peter Madeira. Library Trustee Susan Edson explained the recent community survey of library needs and presented their request to increase the hours that the library is open. A motion was made by Chris Eaton and seconded by Dean Wass to approve \$49,933.00 for the Library budget and to authorize them to increase their hours from 20 to 28 hours per week. The motion passed unanimously.

ii. Recreation-
A motion was made by Stewart Murphy and seconded by Dean Wass to table discussion of the Recreation section until the next meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

iii. General Assistance
A motion was made by Chris Eaton and seconded by Dean Wass to approve \$2,661.00 for General Assistance. The motion passed unanimously.

iv. Public Works

- 1. Wages*
- 2. Summer Roads*
- 3. Sidewalks*
- 4. Tremont Rd. Reconstruction – Municipal Partnership Initiative (MPI) Project*
- 5. Winter Roads*
- 6. Town Garage Buildings*
- 7. Equipment*
- 8. Street Lights*
- 9. Seal Cove Fishway*
- 10. Seal Cove Picnic Area*
- 11. Cemeteries*
- 12. Construction Projects*

No motions were made on the Public Works Department budget.

7. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

The interim Town Manager presented his verbal report.

8. SUGGESTIONS/COMMENTS FOR NEXT MEETING: *Any other items which may come in late and are for the board's information purposes only. No action will be taken, except that the board may request a matter be placed on the next agenda.*

Items suggested for the next agenda included the Recreation Board budget, the Tremont Road reconstruction project and Town Manager replacement issues.

9. NEXT MEETING DATE: *Possible adoption of a motion to set the date of the next meeting for Tuesday, February 17.*

A motion was made by Chris Eaton and seconded by Dean Wass to have the next meeting on Tuesday February 17, 2015. The motion passed unanimously.

10. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Chris Eaton and seconded by Stewart Murphy to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynn Wehrfritz
Recording Secretary

Katharine S. Thurston, Chair

Stewart Murphy, Vice Chair

Christopher A. Eaton

Dean Wass